

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

DEWAYNE CLAY,

Petitioner,

v.

CASE NO. 3:21-CV-12074

GARY MINIARD,

Respondent.

**ORDER STRIKING PETITIONER'S MOTION TO STAY AND HIS
APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS [ECF Nos. 7, 8]**

Petitioner Dewayne Clay is represented by legal counsel in this federal habeas proceeding. Nevertheless, Petitioner submitted a pro se motion to stay the proceedings and an application to proceed in forma pauperis. A party who is represented by counsel must rely on counsel to submit court filings and is not entitled to proceed in a "hybrid" manner by appearing both through counsel and on his or her own behalf. United States v. Steele, 919 F.3d 965, 975 (6th Cir. 2019) ("It is well settled that there is no constitutional right to hybrid representation."); United States v. Vannoy, No.17-20551, 2019 WL 587281, *3 (E.D. Mich. Feb. 13, 2019) (striking pro se filings because defendant was represented by counsel). Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Petitioner's pro se filings, ECF Nos. 7 and 8, are STRICKEN from the record. If Petitioner is no longer represented by counsel, he must notify the court and his counsel should move to withdraw from representation.

Dated: July 26, 2022

s/Robert H. Cleland
ROBERT H. CLELAND
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE